GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
TOURISM
LOK SABHA

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO:847
ANSWERED ON:26.02.2009
SPICE TOURISM
Kharventhan Shri Salarapatty Kuppusamy

Will the Minister of TOURISM be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government has extended any financial assistance to the Governments of Kerala,Tamil Nadu and other States for promotion of Spice Tourism in the State;

(b) if so, the details thereof; and

(c) the further steps taken by the Government to promote Spice Tourism in the coming years?

Answer

MINISTER OF THE STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF TOURISM AND CULTURE (SMT. AMBIKA SONI)

(a) to (c): Ministry of Tourism provides Central Financial Assistance (CFA) to the State Governments/UT Administrations for infrastructure development including spice tourism under the Scheme of Product/Infrastructure Development for Destinations and Circuits,while community participation and the capacity building including skill up-gradation in such rural sites are being supported through Capacity Building for Service Providers Scheme of the Ministry and Government of India-United Nations Development Programme (UNDP) Endogenous Tourism Project. The projects are sanctioned on the basis of proposals received from the State Governments/UT Administrations,subject to availability of funds and inter-se priority.

The list of projects sanctioned by the Ministry of Tourism for spice tourism as a part of rural tourism is annexed.

Ministry of Tourism promotes and publicizes all tourism products including spice tourism through collaterals/print/ electronic and internet media under the "Incredible India campaign". Information is also disseminated through the website and through India tourism offices in the country and abroad.

ANNEXURE

STATEMENT IN REPLY TO PART (a), (b) & (c) OF LOK SABHA UNSTARRED QUESTION NO.847 ANSWERED ON 26.02.2009 REGARDING SPICE TOURISM.

Rs. in lakh

		Infrastructure Developments			Capacity Building		
States	Sl. No.	Name of the project	Year of sanction	Amount sanctioned	Amount released	Year of sanction	Amount sanctioned	Amount released
Kerala	1	Village Kalady, Distt. Ernakulam	2006-07	47.20	37.76	2005-06	20.00	16.00
	2	Village Anakkara, Distt. Idukki	2006-07	50.00	40.00	2005-06	20.00	16.00
Tamil Nadu	3	Village Kurangini, Distt. Theni,	2006-07	50.00	40.00	2005-06	20.00	16.00
	4	Thadiyankudissai, Distt. Dindigul,	2006-07	50.00	40.00	2005-06	20.00	16.00